



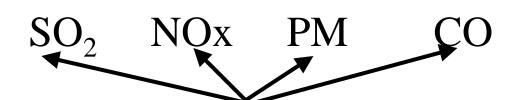
Clean Air Act New Source Review (NSR) and Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) Construction Permits

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Byproducts of combustion of fossil fuels

$$C_xH_y + O_2 + N_2 \longrightarrow CO_2 + H_2O + N_2$$

Fuels, coal contain sulfur (S), which form SO_x

VOCs: volatile organic compounds-organic compounds that photochemically react

Found in gasoline

Lead

Ground-level

VOCs

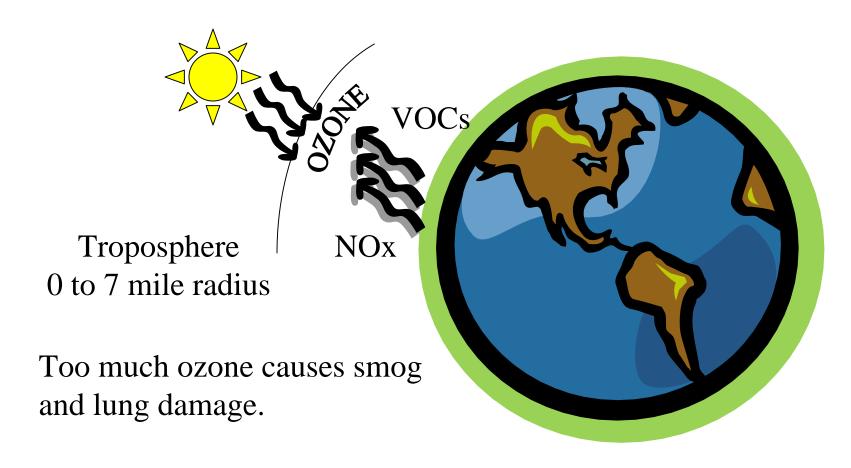
Ozone

N₂ combines with O₂ to form NO_x



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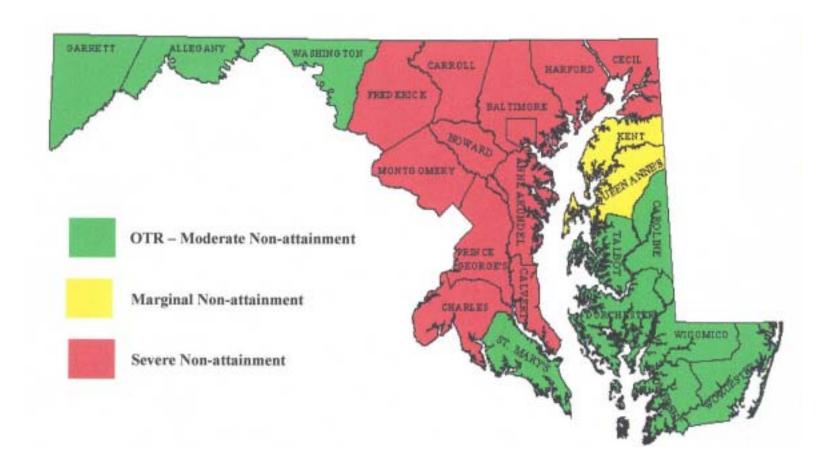






Severe Ozone Non-attainment Area







Ozone NAA Top Ozone Sources



#2
Automobiles
90 tons/day NOx
120 tons/day VOCs





#1
Power Plants
180 tons/day NOx



#3
Diesel Trucks
55 tons/day NOx



Fort Detrick's Primary Ozone Sources





Building 190 boiler plant

Building 393 incinerator plant





NAAQS at Detrick



NAAQS	Non-attainment At Detrick	Attainment At Detrick
NOx	X (sort of)	X
SO_2		\mathbf{X}
CO		\mathbf{X}
\mathbf{PM}		\mathbf{X}
Lead		\mathbf{X}
Ozone Leads to regulation	X ↓ n of NOx and VOCs ↓ NSD	PSD evaluation
	NSR evaluation	



What is a Major Source?



Major:
defined by many categories
of large combustion
equipment

Source:
facility and/or
equipment that emits
NOx, SO₂, CO, VOCs,
lead, or PM

At Detrick, mostly boilers, large generators, incinerators, gasoline dispensing, autoclaves, and sterilizers



NSR and **PSD** Defined



New Source Review

Required for new *major sources* and for major modifications of *major sources* that cause increases in non-attainment pollutants
(at Detrick, NOx and VOCs)
of certain thresholds
over the previous 5-year period

Prevention of Significant Deterioration

Required for new *major sources* and for major modifications of *major sources* that cause increases in attainment pollutants
(at Detrick, NOx, SO₂, PM, CO, etc.) of certain thresholds over the previous 5-year period

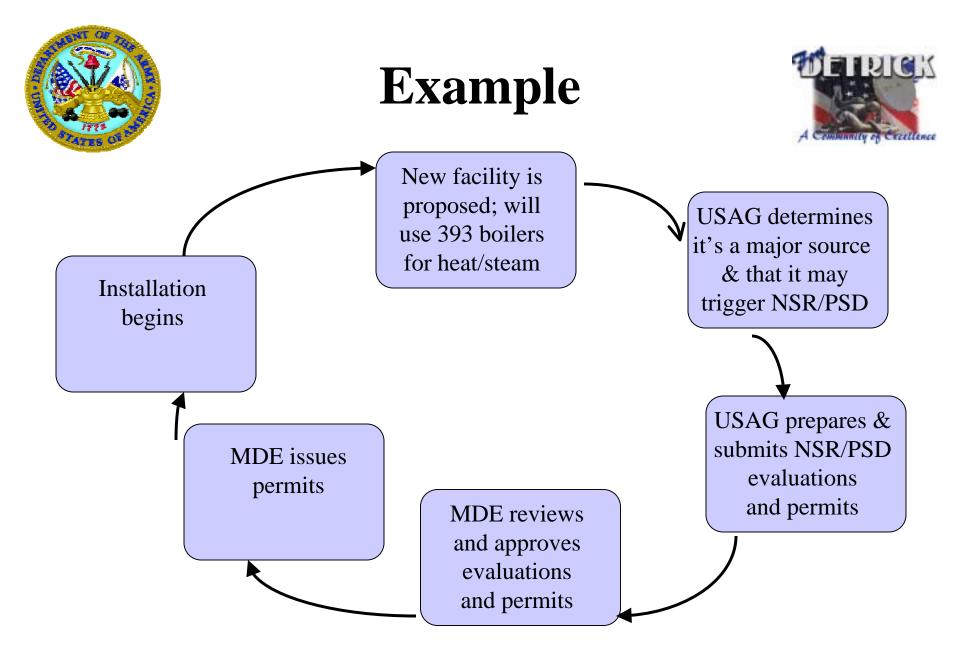


Sequence of Events



- New construction or installation is proposed
 - USAG determines it's a major source
- NSR evaluation is completed and threshold is surpassed
 - Permit application
 - Emission controls

- PSD evaluation is completed and threshold is surpassed
 - Permit application
 - -Emission controls
- Permit is issued
- Installation may begin





Issues to Consider



- Time line potentially 2.5 years—notify USAG ASAP
- Expenses potentially in the millions with short notice
- Construction most likely to require NSR/PSD permits: new boilers > 1 MMBtu/hr, connecting to 393 boiler plant
- Includes major modifications
- Permits must be obtained before equipment is on-site
- Who pays for what?



Clean Air Act NSR/PSD Construction Permits



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